

SUBJECT: Payment for documents affecting title to real property

COMMITTEE: Judicial Affairs: favorable, without amendment

SENATE VOTE: On third reading, April 30--voice vote

DIGEST: SB 1075 would prohibit anyone other than a licensed attorney from charging for preparation of legal documents that affect the title to real property. An individual could be reimbursed for the cost of hiring a licensed attorney to prepare such documents. An individual who pays anyone other than a licensed attorney to prepare such documents would be entitled to sue to recover the fee, all court costs and attorney's fees and damages equal to three times the fee paid.